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Dear Jim,

I committed no crimes in N.O.

I have neither plans for nor expectation of returning.

So, I've no special need for a friend in court.

Therefore, I hope you will believe me sincere in telling you that of all the lawyers I met in N.O., I think you are the best selection that could be made for Haggerty's seat, especially because I believe you are dedicated to the sanctity of the law, which can be more important than knowledge of it.

May it be as rewarding to you as you have earned and as it can be.

All best wishes,